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NHRC seeks reply from Uttar Pradesh government over hooch deaths

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AGRA: Days after TOI reported about the unabated production of illicit liquor in a village, Pusaina, in Mainpuri district, the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has taken suo motu cognizance of the matter and has issued a notice to the state government seeking a detailed report in the matter. In its notice, NHRC has directed the UP chief secretary to submit a detailed report in the matter within four weeks.

The report should be comprehensive, covering the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the state agencies along with status of benefits of the social welfare schemes provided to the aggrieved families, the notice added. The commission has observed that apparently no strict action has been taken by the police and the district administration to curb the menace.

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Uttar Pradesh and Uttarkhand recently witnessed a major hooch tragedy in which at least 100 people died. "The illegal business of hooch has been trading in the area for the years together as mentioned in the news report and no action seems to have been taken, to address the core issue," the rights panel observed, referring to media reports.

NHRC issues notice to UP govt over report of 150 deaths in 15 years from drinking spurious liquor

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The commission, in a statement said it has taken suo motu cognisance of a media report which claimed that in Pusaina village, "out of 300 families, 150 have widows in the age of 25-65, whose husbands died after consuming spurious liquor in the last 15 years."

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Recently, around 100 people died due to consumption of spurious liquor in Saharanpur and Kushinagar districts of Uttar Pradesh and Haridwar district of neighbouring Uttarakhand.

According to media reports, the hooch was suspected to have been made in villages near the Uttarakhand-Uttar Pradesh border, the commission said.

"According to the media report, carried today, in Pusaina village there are families, which have lost more than one male member. The noxious alcoholic concoction, that sometimes comes mixed with deadly urea, battery fluid and chemicals, for an instant and extra high, is the main cause of deaths in such a large number," the statement said.

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mentioned in the news report that usually 60-80 litres of liquor is consumed by the villagers per day and the remaining is supplied to the nearby villages and adjoining districts," it added.

The liquor made in Pusaina is reportedly very popular due to mixing of urea in jaggery and yeast, to 'guarantee' a strong kick, the rights panel said, quoting the report.

"The village pradhan has also stated that the hooch business in the village has now declined in comparison with the past, but it still continues. He has further mentioned that he tried to stop the illegal trade in the village after many deaths occurred but he was threatened by the mafia," the statement said.

"Not only this, even children aged 10 years, are involved in the illegal hooch trade, with the passage of time, they also become the consumers of the spurious liquor," it said, quoting the report.

As mentioned in the report, the superintendent of police of Mainpuri has stated that police have been making sincere efforts to destroy the illegal business in the district and have seized property worth Rs 11 crore from some of the kingpins of the liquor mafia. Police parties are also conducting raids to destroy the network, it said.

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Hooch Liquor Tragedy: NHRC Takes Suo Motu Cognizance Of Increasing Deaths, Sends Notice To U.P Government Demanding Detailed Probe Report

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Taking suo motu cognisance of a media report on the increasing number of deaths in the state due to illicit liquor, the Commission sent notice to the chief secretary, seeking a detailed report in four weeks.

In the news report, the NHRC observed that there has been "failure" on part of the concerned authorities in taking lawful action against culprits, forcing the distraught families to lead miserable lives violating their rights to life, liberty and dignity.

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A PIL was filed in the Supreme Court seeking CBI or SIT probe into the death of more than 152 persons due to the consumption of illicit liquor in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand recently.

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